

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 28 to page 10, line 18, as follows:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

FIG. 1 is a view in vertical section schematically showing an example of conventional superconductive magnetic bearing of the radial type. FIG. 2 is a perspective view showing the portion of a superconductor unit in FIG. 1. FIG. 3 is a view in vertical section of a superconductive magnetic bearing of the radial type to show a first embodiment of the invention. FIG. 4 is a fragmentary perspective view partly broken away and showing a rotatable bearing portion of FIG. ~~[[1]]~~ 3. FIG. 5 is a fragmentary exploded perspective view partly broken away and showing the rotatable bearing portion of FIG. ~~[[1]]~~ 3. FIG. 6 is a fragmentary perspective view partly broken away and showing a modification of a permanent magnet unit included in the first embodiment. FIG. 7 is a view in vertical section of a superconductive magnetic bearing of the axial type to show a second embodiment of the invention. FIG. 8 is a fragmentary perspective view partly broken away and showing a rotatable bearing portion of FIG. 7. FIG. 9 is a fragmentary exploded perspective view partly broken away and showing the rotatable bearing portion of FIG. 7.